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October 20, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**CHANGES IN WORK FOR A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT
VASQUEZ CANYON ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER BOUQUET CREEK
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF BOUQUET CANYON
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(4 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve changes in work and the increased contract amount for a public works construction contract for Vasquez Canyon Road Bridge Replacement over Bouquet Creek in the unincorporated community of Bouquet Canyon.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the requested changes in work for variations in bid quantities and revisions to the detour and traffic control plan, with an increase in the amount of \$84,192.94, have no significant effect on the environment and approve the changes and increased contract amount for Project ID No. RDC0015073 - Vasquez Canyon Road Bridge Replacement over Bouquet Creek, to replace a bridge, in the unincorporated community of Bouquet Canyon, being performed by Powell Constructors.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) approval for the changes in a public works contract in support of the timely completion of the project while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the enclosure.

The Director of Public Works or her designee has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Enclosed for your authorization are changes in work in excess of the Director of Public Works' delegated limit, which are required to complete the project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Approval of these changes will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The funding for Project ID No. RDC0015073 is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget.

The estimated change order amount for this contract is an increase of \$84,192.94. Detailed cost breakdowns for the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosure.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the State Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works or her designee.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in work as described above and in the enclosure do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the enclosure.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under the contract and result in complete and usable facilities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)
October 20, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015073 - VASQUEZ CANYON ROAD BRIDGE
REPLACEMENT OVER BOUQUET CREEK (in the unincorporated community of
Bouquet Canyon), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Powell Constructors

Project Description:

Replacement of an existing bridge.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$ 1,991.94
(2) Revised Detour and Traffic Control	<u>82,201.00</u>
Total	<u>\$84,192.94</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) Due to the location and proximity of various utilities and the limited area to stage the proposed detour, a revised detour plan was required. This revised detour includes signal video detection, additional striping and markings, and temporary paving.

The costs for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 will be based on both contract unit prices and time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Financial Information:

This project is being administered under the Federal Emergency Relief Disaster Assistance Program as covered by Agreement 76078 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal aid grant funds will be used to finance a portion of the project cost. Funding for these changes in work is included in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Road Construction Program in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Road Fund Budget

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$860,995.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>84,192.94</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$945,187.94</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	9.8%

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